

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) A packaged product comprising:
 - a. flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches; and
 - b. an outer container for containing the liquid-detergent-filled pouches;

wherein the outer container contains a plurality of flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches whereby at least two or more of the flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches are in mutual contact, and wherein the outer container further comprises means for avoiding or minimizing rupture of the flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches when the outer container is subject to shock.

2. (Currently amended) A packaged product according to claim 1 wherein the flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches comprise a flexible film which forms the wall of the pouch, and wherein the flexible film is soluble in water.

3. (Currently amended) A packaged product according to claim 1 wherein the means for avoiding or minimizing rupture comprises a further wrapping material whereby the further wrapping material tightly encloses the plurality of liquid-detergent-filled pouches.

4. (Currently amended) A packaged product according to claim 3 wherein the plurality of liquid-detergent-

filled pouches are enclosed with the further wrapping material by shrink-wrapping or by vacuum packing.

5. (Original) A packaged product according to claim 1 wherein the means for avoiding or minimizing rupture comprises a cushioning material.

6. (Original) A packaged product according to claim 5 wherein the cushioning material is selected from the group consisting of foam, bubble wrap, and cellulose-based paper or board, or combinations thereof.

7. (Original) A packaged product according to claim 6 wherein the cushioning material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene foam and corrugated cardboard, or combinations thereof.

8. (Original) A packaged product according to claim 1 wherein the outer container is a thermoformed or an injection molded plastic tub.

9. (Original) A packaged product according to claim 8 wherein the outer container is provided with a recloseable lid.

10. (Currently amended) A packaged product comprising:
a. flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches; and
b. an injection-molded plastic tub for containing the liquid-detergent-filled pouches;
i. wherein the tub contains a plurality of flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches whereby at least two or more of the

flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches
are in mutual contact, and

- ii. wherein the tub further contains a cushioning material for avoiding or minimizing rupture of the flexible liquid-detergent-filled pouches when the outer container is subject to shock.

11. (New) A packaged product comprising:

- a. flexible liquid-filled pouches; and
- b. an outer container for containing the liquid-filled

pouches;

wherein the outer container contains a plurality of flexible liquid-filled pouches in a random orientation whereby at least two or more of the flexible liquid-filled pouches are in mutual contact, and wherein the outer container further comprises means for avoiding or minimizing rupture of the flexible liquid-filled pouches when the outer container is subject to shock.

12. (New) A packaged product according to claim 11 wherein the flexible liquid-filled pouches comprise a flexible film which forms the wall of the pouch, and wherein the flexible film is soluble in water.

13. (New) A packaged product according to claim 11 wherein the means for avoiding or minimizing rupture comprises a further wrapping material whereby the further wrapping material tightly encloses the plurality of liquid-filled pouches.

14. (New) A packaged product according to claim 13 wherein the plurality of liquid-filled pouches are enclosed with the further wrapping material by shrink-wrapping or by vacuum packing.

15. (New) A packaged product according to claim 11 wherein the means for avoiding or minimizing rupture comprises a cushioning material.

16. (New) A packaged product according to claim 15 wherein the cushioning material is selected from the group consisting of foam, bubble wrap, and cellulose-based paper or board, or combinations thereof.

17. (New) A packaged product according to claim 16 wherein the cushioning material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene foam and corrugated cardboard, or combinations thereof.

18. (New) A packaged product according to claim 11 wherein the outer container is a thermoformed or an injection molded plastic tub.

19. (New) A packaged product according to claim 18 wherein the outer container is provided with a recloseable lid.

20. (New) A packaged product comprising:
a. flexible liquid-filled pouches; and
b. an injection-molded plastic tub for containing the liquid-filled pouches;

- i. wherein the tub contains a plurality of flexible liquid-filled pouches in a random orientation whereby at least two or more of the flexible liquid-filled pouches are in mutual contact, and
- ii. wherein the tub further contains a cushioning material for avoiding or minimizing rupture of the flexible liquid-filled pouches when the outer container is subject to shock.